

MINUTES OF THE JONESTOWN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD AUGUST 13, 2020, 7:30 P.M., VIA AUDIO/VIDEO TELECONFERENCE

Paul Johnson, Mayor	Eric Davis (Place 1)	Dave Nelsen (Place 4)
Tom Buckle, Mayor Pro Tem, Place 2	Rod Schaffner (Place 3)	Linda Bush (Place 5)

This meeting was closed to in-person attendance by the public. A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Telephonic and videoconferencing capabilities were utilized to allow individuals to address the Council. Email submissions were also accepted.

Council Present via teleconference: Mayor Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem Buckle, Alderwoman Bush, Alderman Nelsen, Alderman Schaffner, Alderman Davis.

Absent: None.

Staff present via teleconference: City Administrator Jones, Public Works Director Herrera, Parks Director Gyergyó, Development Services Manager Jolly, Finance Director Del Re, Commander Headrick, City Secretary Austin.

A. ITEMS OPENING MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISH QUORUM, DECLARE MEETING OPEN

Mayor Johnson announced a quorum present and opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS: ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

(In accordance with Government Code Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Sect. 551.0415)

There were no announcements.

4. REPORTS AND UPDATES

a. Quarterly report from Parks & Recreation Board

Chair Latos reported the new pay station at Jones Brothers Park will be completed by August 14th, along with new traffic lanes; a drive-through school backpack event will be held Saturday, August 15th; resident parking stickers will be available soon; the board is looking at restroom options and planning future park events. Latos thanked Park Director Gyergyó and staff for all of their work.

b. Quarterly report from Library Advisory Board

Mayor Johnson read Chair Heihn's written report, which noted reduced library traffic and suspension of the state tech-share program due to the pandemic; update on the new library furniture being received via the Tocker Grant and two new computers purchased with grant funds from the Lago Vista Women's Club; Director Hodges is looking at offering a winter children's program since the summer program was canceled; the board voted to resume quarterly meetings in October and will be working on the policy manual.

c. Council Committee reports:

- Finance Committee: Alderman Nelsen noted discussion of the 20-21 budget, schedule for hearings, and special project funds.
- Planning & Economic Development Committee: Alderman Nelsen reported discussion of the site plan for 18245 FM 1431; driveway variance for 8204 Moon Rise Trail; the effect of the moratorium on the short-term rental application for 18404 W. Rim; possible ordinance amendment of the tree preservation division and ongoing discussion of the related landscape ordinance revision; and proposed changes to the electronic message center sign regulations.
- Public Works Committee: Alderman Schaffner noted discussion of Austin Underground's current pay application and progress on the Old Burnet Road Project and additional road repairs; fire hydrants in the older part of town; Capital Metro BCT project list; and a plan for resurfacing the wastewater treatment plant tanks.

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Citizens wishing to address Council should complete a registration form and submit to the City Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council is prohibited from discussing (other than factual responses to specific questions) or acting on any items brought before them at this time.

There were no citizen comments.

C. GENERAL BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

The Consent Agenda includes routine and non-controversial items that may be acted upon with one single vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, Any Councilmember may request an item be pulled from the Consent Agenda in order that it be discussed and acted upon individually as part of the Regular Agenda.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 9, 2020, regular meeting
 July 14, 2020, joint workshop with Planning & Zoning Commission
 July 21, 2020, budget workshop
 July 23, 2020, joint meeting with Planning & Zoning Commission
 July 28, 2020, special meeting and budget workshop

- 2. Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution of the City Council of the City of Jonestown, Texas, calling a general election and establishing the procedure for the general election for city officers to be held on November 3, 2020, in the City of Jonestown, Texas; and providing for other matters relating to the election**
- 3. Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution naming the City's Finance Director as the City's officer or employee designated to calculate the no-new revenue tax rate and the voter approval tax rate in accordance with the Texas Tax Code.**
- 4. Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution extending the City's Depository Contract for Funds with Security State Bank.**

5. **Consideration and possible action to approve and authorize payment of Pay Application #12 from Austin Underground, Inc. for the Old Burnet Road Improvement Project in the amount of \$29,385.00.**

Alderman Schaffner moved to approve the consent agenda items, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Buckle. **The motion passed unanimously.**

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

6. **Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary on a request by Nathan and Lindsay Fort for a Conditional Use Permit in accordance with Chapter 14: Zoning Code, Sec. 14.02.081(b)(7) Conditional Uses, of the City of Jonestown Code of Ordinances, for a short-term rental in an R-1 Single Family Residential District at 18404 West Rim Drive (Lot 14 Webb H E Subd No. 1), Jonestown, Texas. (postponed from the July 9 city council meeting)**

Mayor Johnson noted that due to the moratorium approved on July 28th action on this item will be postponed. Mayor Pro Tem Buckle moved to table this item until such time as the council establishes the (short-term rental) overlay district. Alderman Nelsen seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

7. **a. PUBLIC HEARING on a request by 18245 FM 1431, LLC, for approval of a site development plan for property at 18245 FM 1431 (ABS 840 SUR 421 YBARBO J A ACR 6.68), Jonestown, Texas. (postponed from the July 9, 2020, city council meeting)**

Mayor Johnson opened the hearing. Carolyn Douglass, 18261 FM 1431, asked that council not approve the site plan until the property is annexed and other regulating entities have approved the project, and expressed concerns with safety, screening, landscaping, and appearance. There being no other citizens wishing to speak, Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing.

- b. Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary on the above request by 18245 FM 1431, LLC, for approval of a site development plan for property at 18245 FM 1431 (ABS 840 SUR 421 YBARBO J A ACR 6.68), Jonestown, Texas.**

Andrew Brown, owner of the property, and associate Linda Pedersen, were present to answer questions from the council members and address concerns expressed about the project site plan. Mayor Pro Tem Buckle moved to deny the request without prejudice to their refile, based upon the plans that have already been presented, if they can obtain the approvals of LCRA, Travis County, and TxDOT on all of the issues, or alternatively, that they come forward with an annexation agreement with the City of Jonestown that allows the council to address all of the issues discussed. Alderman Davis seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

8. **a. PUBLIC HEARING on request by Christopher Van Tuinen for a variance from the Jonestown Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Subdivision Regulation, Section 10.02.086(2)(Q)(ii) to allow a driveway located within the side setback and**

construction of a driveway extension on property at 8204 Moon Rise Trail (Lot 2, Blk A Long Hollows Estates), Jonestown, TX.

Mayor Johnson opened the hearing. As there was no one wishing to speak, Alderman Nelsen moved to close the public hearing. Alderwoman Bush seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

b. Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary on the above request by Christopher Van Tuinen for a variance from the Jonestown Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Subdivision Regulation, Section 10.02.086(2)(Q)(ii) to allow a driveway located within the side setback and construction of a driveway extension on property at 8204 Moon Rise Trail (Lot 2, Blk A Long Hollows Estates), Jonestown, TX.

Alderman Nelsen moved to approve the request for a variance, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Buckle. **The motion passed unanimously.**

9. Report from the A Safer 1431 Committee and consider, discuss, and take any action necessary regarding the committee.

Alderman Davis reported the committee has met twice, last meeting on July 23rd. Due to efforts by members Sies, Etherton and others, TxDOT will be making improvements to the West Reed Park Road/FM 1431 intersection, with a left turn lane and blinking light. The committee would like to keep working on other issues and see the City begin a 1431 master plan effort. He requested combining this group and the old Transportation Committee, renaming it the Jonestown Transportation and Highway 1431 Committee and retaining the current members (Eric Davis, Tom Buckle, Brenda Sies, Charles Powell, Jim Etherton and Steve Jones ex officio). There were no objections and Mayor Johnson approved the change.

10. Presentation by Rick Smith and discussion on Devil's Cove concerns.

Mr. Smith, 17303 Whippoorwill Trail, registered a complaint against the City and expressed opposition to the recent ordinance amending the regulation of boats and other activities on portions of Lake Travis, providing a slide presentation which was viewed by council members.

11. Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary on an ordinance of the City of Jonestown, Texas, amending Chapter 3, Article 3.09 "Signs", Division 6, Section 3.09.214(M)(8), of the Jonestown Code of Ordinances, Establishing Regulations And Criteria For Electronic Message Center (EMC) Signs; and providing for related matters.

Alderwoman Bush moved to approve the ordinance amendment, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Buckle. **The motion passed unanimously.**

12. Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary regarding a proposal from Austin Underground, Inc., for repairs and improvements to Park Drive in the amount of \$18,631.00.

Alderman Nelsen moved to approve the proposal, seconded by Alderman Schaffner. **The motion passed unanimously.**

13. **Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary regarding authorization to purchase a portable restroom unit for Jones Brothers Park in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.**

City Administrator Jones and Park Director Gyergyó addressed Council's questions about the units and sizes. Alderman Nelsen moved to approve the authorization. Alderwoman Bush seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

14. **Consider, discuss, and take any action necessary to propose a tax rate for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.**

Alderman Nelsen moved to propose a tax rate of 0.5656 per \$100 of valuation for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Alderman Davis seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

15. **Consideration and possible action to schedule a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget and the vote on adoption of the proposed budget and tax rate.**

Alderman Nelsen moved to set the council meeting date of September 3, 2020, 7:30 p.m. for the public hearing and action on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget; and the council meeting date of September 10, 2020, 7:30 p.m., for a vote on adoption of the tax rates, both to be held at the City Council Chamber, 18649 FM 1431, Suite 3A, Jonestown, Texas. Alderman Schaffner seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

D. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Schaffner moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderwoman Bush. **The motion passed unanimously.** Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2020.



Paul Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rachel Austin, City Secretary